National voter turnout up slightly from 1996 election

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

U.S. voter turnout in the presidential election increased modestly over a 1996 total that had been the lowest since 1924, but experts said on Wednesday the uptick did not reverse the long-term erosion in voter participation.

Curtis Gans, director of the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, a Washington-based nonpartisan group that examines citizen engagement in politics, said 50.7 percent of the 205.8 million voting-age Americans cast ballots on Tuesday in the race pitting Republican George W. Bush against Democrat Al Gore.

That compared to 49 percent turnout in 1996, when Democratic President Clinton won re-election over Republican Bob Dole. That year was the first since 1924 that less than half of the voting-age population participated in a U.S. presidential election.

According to a random telephone poll of 282 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, 54 percent of those surveyed voted in the election, slightly higher than the national average.

On the national voter turnout in the quadrennial presidential elections has been falling steadily since 1960, when 62.8 percent of eligible voters cast ballots in the race between Democrat John Kennedy and Republican Richard Nixon. U.S. voter participation also lags significantly behind other democracies around the world.

"I don't think [Tuesday's turnout] affects that trend at all," Gans said. "We had the closest election [in decades] and the perception of the closest election, with millions of dollars spent on mobilization [of voters] and we still have a turnout that leaves us at 1996 out of 163 democracies." Gans attributed the estimated 1.7-percentage-point increase in turnout this year over 1996 "almost exclusively to mobilization efforts in the battleground states."

The two major political parties and their allies — such as labor unions helping the Democrats — poured millions of dollars into efforts to get voters to the polls in closely contested states. They unleashed tens of thousands of volunteers, while making more than 100 million telephone calls and sending tens of millions of letters and e-mails.

Gans said these battleground states generally experienced turnout gains on Tuesday compared to 1996. "Several of the non-battleground states had lower turnout," he added.

Officials from around the country are taking a close look at Oregon, which became the first state to conduct a general election exclusively with mail-in ballots. Oregonians passed a ballot initiative in 1998 making "vote-by-mail" the only way to cast a ballot in an effort to curb the cost of conducting the election through voting precincts around the state.

According to preliminary statistics provided by Oregon Secretary of State Bill Bradbury's office, about 62 percent of voting-age Oregonians cast ballots. That was a modest increase from about 59.7 percent turnout in 1996.
INSIDE COLUMN

Calling it quits

In 1960, John F. Kennedy defeated Richard Nixon by just over 118,000 votes in one of the closest presidential elections in American histo­ry. Nixon may have had a legitimate claim to the Oval Office, but in what many describe as Nixon's lowest hour, he did not request a recount. Nixon did not to under­mine the legitimacy of the next administration and not to divide his country by contesting the election. Instead, he stepped aside and recognized Kennedy as the country’s next pres­i­dent.

Texas Governor George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore have a lot to learn from Nixon’s example. It is true that the pres­i­den­tial election of 2000 has been seriously flawed. Thousands of Florida’s citizens were disenfran­chised by a confusing and illegal ballot and many of Florida’s students did not receive absentee ballots despite multiple requests. Citizens were in line before the close of the polls were not allowed to vote, voters who marked mistakes in their ballots were denied new ballots and voters overseas admit to casting multiple absentee ballots. In a year in which so many voting irregularities have been reported, this presidential election has been anything but fair.

Unfortunately, there is also no fair way to resolve these problems. A recount in Florida — even if it only includes those citizens who originally voted — is not fair because it will provide those who voted for Nader and Buchanan the opportunity to change their votes, while voters who voted for third party candidates in other swing states will not be able to do so. It is not fair to visually examine the ballots to deter­mine Florida voters’ intentions in the case of improperly marked ballots, because voters who made similar mistakes in other states will not be given the same consideration.

Even a complete national revote will be unfair, because both Bush and Gore deserve to be evaluated on their performances during the campaign, not on how they have conducted themselves since then, a factor which would undoubtedly be considered if a revote was held.

While I fully support fair and straightforward elections, there is nothing that can be done that will change the injustices of the 2000 election without creating as many or more injustices for other elections. The current situation only can be used as models of what not to do in 2004. The Bush campaign has said it will call for a national revote and Wisconsin Governor Gore car­ries Florida: Gore's campaign has said it will support legal challenges to the Palm Beach County recount.

These two candidates should do neither of these. The legitimacy of the next administration has been damaged and other nations have begun to question the reality of our nation's democracy. To take the election out of the hands of the people and into the courtroom will not solve the problems of the 2000 election.

Instead of further undermining the political process, the candidates should let the revote results in Florida stand, regardless of who is the winner. Bush and Gore should put the stability of their country ahead of their own ambitions and allow this election to come to the most acceptable conclusion possible.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Today's Staff

Anne Marie Mattingly
News Editor

PROVIDENCE, R.I.
The Brown Corporation voted unanimously to elect Ruth Simmons as the 18th president of Brown University.

Simmons makes history as the first black president to lead an Ivy League institution — a position she will assume on July 1. She is also Brown’s first permanent female president, and only the second in the Ivy League.

Calling Simmons’ election “a histor­ic and m em o rable occasion not only for Brown but for the entire Ivy League,” chancellor Stephen Rober­t introduced Brown’s next president to the University commu­nity at an assembly Thursday after­noon.

More than 600 students, faculty, staff, administrators and corporation members greeted Simmons with a nearly two-minute standing ovation as she entered Sayles Hall.

After a glowing introduction by Robert, who led the presidential search, Simmons blew kisses to the crowd as she took the podium.

“I am delighted to have the opportunity to lead this outstanding University in this excellent time in history.”

Ruth J. Simmons
Brown president

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Brown nominates first black president

Brown University

Former student’s body found

COLUMBIA, Mo.
The body of Damon White, a former University of Missouri student who disappeared in March 1999, was positively identified by Kansas City medical examiners Wednesday. Two hikers and their chil­dren found White’s skeletal remains in a wooded area near Kansas City. Dental records were com­pared before a public identification was made.

White’s body was found about six miles from where a car he had borrowed on March 2 from his sister was found four days after his disappearance. The car contained blood stains believed to be White’s. “It seems weird to me that the body was found so close to where the car was,” said Kenyon Bailey, a friend of White’s. The medical examiner’s office said no cause of death is known at this time and that there is no projection for when a cause of death will be announced. If a cause of death cannot be deter­mined, the skeletal remains will be sent to a forensic anthropologist.

Brown University

Study on black students released

NEW YORK

Being reminded of one’s race has profound and neg­ative effects on the academic performance of minori­ties, a study published by New York University School of Education professor Joshua Aronson says. The study, cited in the current issue of Newsweek, found that black students who were reminded of their race before answering a series of difficult questions did markedly worse than white and black students who were not reminded of their race. Aronson, while clear­ly pleased with the publication of his work, did have some criticism of the Newsweek piece. Often, low acad­emic performance by minorities, especially blacks, is attributed to genetic or cultural impediments to learn­ing. Aronson and his colleagues suggested that black students, when engaging in intellectual work, must not only accomplish the task at hand, but also debunk myths that they are intellectually inferior. Aronson says minorities are faced with stereotypes and cultural assumptions at the onset of every undertaking.
Dalloway’s, Welcome Center celebrate official opening

♦ Center captures history of Saint Mary’s campus

By MYRA MCGRIFF

Saint Mary’s Welcome Center and Dalloway’s Clubhouse officially opened their doors Friday. Work on the buildings started on March 20, 2000, the two buildings mark the beginning of the Saint Mary’s Master Plan.

"In this jubilee year we stop to celebrate the doors opening to the Welcome Center and the Dalloway’s Clubhouse," said Saint Mary’s President Marilou Eldred.

The Welcome Center, donated by the Ryan family, now serves as a greeting place for all incoming students. The walls contain the history of the Women of the Holy Cross, in hopes of continuing the hospitable nature of Saint Mary’s campus.

“The Welcome Center will continue the tradition and rich heritage of Saint Mary’s College,” said Michelle Nagle, student body vice president.

For the Ryan family’s donation, Eldred presented them with an original montage art piece of the Welcome Center.

The new Dalloway’s Clubhouse, donated by the Parent Council, stands as a students social space.

Originating in 1923, the Clubhouse gave students a place to hold dances, dinners and other social activities.

“The Clubhouse will foster friendships and discourse. It will build bridges and open doors,” said Eldred.

The Student Activities Board (SAB) will feature events throughout the year in the clubhouse.

“I think the Clubhouse definitely improved," said Brooke May, SAB entertainment chair.

“I went to the old Dalloway’s only a couple of times last year. But this year, I think people are more excited about the new Dalloway’s.”

For the Parent Council’s donation of the new Dalloway’s Clubhouse a plaque will be placed in the clubhouse displaying the 19 donors’ names.

Guests gather outside the official opening ceremonies for Dalloway’s Clubhouse and the Saint Mary’s Welcome Center. Both projects were part of the College’s Master Plan.

CORRECTIONS

♦ The Observer incorrectly reported Friday that Emil T. Hofman founded the First Year of Studies. It was founded by Father James Burtchaell. The Observer regrets the error.

♦ Friday’s article about the COURAGE lectures incorrectly the religious order of speaker Father John Harvey. His congregation is OSFS, not OFS, as reported.

“Corazón y Conversión: The Dynamics of Undocumented Mexican Immigration and Spiritual Transformation”

Fr. Daniel Groody, C.S.C.

Monday, November 13
4:00 PM
Center for Continuing Education
112 McKenna Hall

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SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS WEEK

MON, NOV 13:
Peggy Sanday lecture
"Rape-Prone vs. Rape-Free Campus Cultures" at 7:30 pm
in 101 DeBartolo Hall

TUES, NOV 14:
Katie Koestner lecture "No Yes" at 7:30 pm in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium

WED, NOV 15:
Panel of Survivors at 7:00 pm in the Montgomery Theater

THURS, NOV 16:
Group Prayer at 7:30 pm at the Grotto

FRI, NOV 17:
skit "When A Kiss is Not Just a Kiss" at 5:30pm at the Library Auditorium

SAT, NOV 18:
Princes of Babylon Concert at Alumni-Senior Club at 10pm
$3 for ND/SMC students, $5 for non-students
tickets available at LaFortune information desk
World News Briefs

Russia, China win chess Olympics: Russia won the men's tournament, while China dominated the women's event in the World Chess Olympics that finished in Istanbul Sunday. The Russian men's team, including world champion Alexander Khalifman who scored only 4.5 points in nine games, won with a total of 38 points. Russia has won the men's tournament all but twice since 1954.

Bomb seized in Northern Ireland: Police in Northern Ireland arrested four men and seized a mortar bomb intended to be used in a terrorist attack, the Royal Ulster Constabulary said Sunday. Police said they intercepted a white van carrying the bomb on Saturday night in County Fermanagh, southwest of Belfast.

National News Briefs

Clinton appeals to end violence: President Clinton was making another appeal Sunday to end the violence in the Middle East, meeting at the White House with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak three days after a visit with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Barak, Minister Ehud Barak three days after a visit with Palestinian leader remained jailed Sunday for allegedly helping the Israeli security officials said on condition of anonymity. Khalifman who scored only 4.5 points in nine games, won with a total of 38 points. Russia has won the men's tournament all but twice since 1954.

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Woman charged with ax murders: A woman was charged with murder for allegedly killing her 6-year-old daughter and 1-year-old son with an ax. The two children were found lying in tall grass near an abandoned home on Saturday. Berkeley County coroner Wade Arnette said the children likely were killed inside the family's mobile home, then taken outside. Police searching the home on Saturday found an ax inside.

Indiana News Briefs

Klan leader arrested: A Ku Klux Klan leader was arrested Friday in his Newville home on charges of conspiring to hold the crew from Louisville, Ky., hostage in November 1999. He was being held on a $100,000 bond Sunday at the DeKalb County Jail, where he faces counts of theft, conspiracy to commit intimidation and other charges.

India News Briefs

Klan leader arrested: A Ku Klux Klan leader remained jailed Sunday for allegedly holding a television news crew captive in his home last year. Jeff Berry, leader of the American Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, was arrested Friday in his Newville home on charges of conspiring to hold the crew from Louisville, Ky., hostage in November 1999. He was being held on a $100,000 bond Sunday at the DeKalb County Jail, where he faces counts of theft, conspiracy to commit intimidation and other charges.

Austria

Relatives mourn cable car deaths

Kaprun

Relatives and friends who had waited through the night in this Alpine village began to get word Sunday on whether their loved ones were among the dead in a cable car fire that killed about 170 people in a mountain tunnel. With the village hall draped in black and candles burning on shop steps, shattered townfolk gathered in the Kaprun church for Sunday Mass. As they mourned, emergency crews tried to reach the spot where scores of people, many children and teenagers, were killed Saturday by smoke and flames.

"We understand Christ's wail on the cross: 'My son is, thank God, all right,'" priest Peter Hofer said in his sermon. Others gave thanks after realizing their loved ones were safe. "My son is, thank God, all right," said Gottfried Nindl. His boy had planned to go on the cable car with his friends, but didn't because they had slept too late, he said. The car, pulled on rails under-ground for most of the 3,200 yards up the Kitzsteinhorn mountain to a glacier region, stopped, blazing, about 600 yards inside a mountain tunnel Saturday morning. The cause of the fire has not been determined. Mourners could not reach the victims as the fire raged on. Passengers tried to flee through the deep tunnel, but most were felled by the thick smoke and flames. Eighteen people survived, mainly by fleeing downwards in the tunnel where the smoke was thinner, authorities said.
The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs

is hosting
a panel discussion entitled

Homosexuality and the Family

in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium
at 7:30 p.m.
on Wednesday, November 15

Presenters:
Fr. David Burrell, C.S.C.
Nancy and Hank Mascott,
from PFLAG Michiana
and two student members of the Standing Committee

Discussion will be followed by a 9:00 pm reception in the Hesburgh Center Great Hall, with food and drinks.
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Clark described the conflict as simultaneous, not temporal­ly separate. "Anzaldua is living in many conceptual worlds," she said. "Most humans are not in a position of wholeness, and this is not bad despite what Western philosophy believes." Clark described this idea as a conflict of ethical and conceptual demands, and she sees it as a celebration of the frag­mentation of self. "It's eternal, not linear," Clark said. Anzaldua structured the book to reflect this idea by switching between English and Spanish. Clark said this helps to bring the reader away from the linear paradigms. Clark said she found impor­tance in Anzaldua's book, both personally and to society. "It's a part of the small collection of books in my life that I read over and over," she said. She admitted that the book is difficult to read and under­stand, but encouraged everyone to try. "If you can't understand it, put it down and pick it up again later," Clark said. "I really do think it's one of the greatest books." Clark believes that Anzaldua has new and important views on this topic that people should recognize. She finished by crediting Anzaldua for her work. "I'm grateful to her for hav­ing set it up," she said.

Discussion continued with Mark Belanger, assistant pro­fessor of political science. Belanger read two autobiographical passages from "The Late Great Mexican Border: Repor­ts from a Disappearing Line." The passages were autobiographical accounts of a Mexican American confronted about his nationality by border police. He described the border as a spiritual and philosophical line, not just physical. He also discussed the borderland culture and the man-made fence that separates the two coun­tries. "Someone built that fence," said Belanger, "and someone could tear it down."
Christiansity is the most important religious institution in the world. However, it is generally seen as having a conservative-bias, as if the Christian Right represents the entire spectrum of believers. In contrast, there is a revolutionary tradition within the faith called "Liberation Theology" that not only calls for Christians to take action for justice, but actually requires it.

When analyzing Christianity's liberating potential one must first admit its history of failures. From medieval times it was used by monarchs to justify their rule as by "divine right." Governments invoked Church support in their wars against neighboring states, both in regular wars and in explicitly "Holy Wars" like the Crusades. European imperialists used religion to justify their colonization of Latin America, Africa, the invasion of North America and to pacify the indigenous inhabitants while practicing genocide. From slavery to South African Apartheid to segregation, Christianity has reinforced racism.

According to Weberian Christianity, or specifically Calvinism, helped build early capitalism — and since then it has often sided with the capitalist elites. The conservative churches have sidelined workers among them to their husbands and often barring them from the ministry. But many so-called "Christians" are leading the struggle against equal rights for gays, lesbians and bisexuals, such as same-sex marriage. They both study the Bible (developing theology) and practice on behalf of their group — one who suffers and is oppressed by the Church hierarchy. Members of these base communities for themselves. Their own life experiences — and not theologies when applied in different contexts. Different varieties emphasize the oppression of the poor, blacks, women and gays and lesbians.

The Catholic Church at first accommodated and incorporated some of the teachings of this theory (ex. Catholic liberation theology for the poor) but stuck in the Cold War it has moderated and incorporated some of the teaching of liberation theology. Liberation Theology is spread among Catholics, Protestants, and churches of Africa, Latin America, and Asia.

Liberation Theology recognizes the necessity of social change to end the root institutional causes of sin. It promises of heaven to keep exploited people inactive and apolitical, liberation theology requires that people work to uplift sinful systems of domination — trying to, at least partially, recreate heaven on earth.

Liberation Theology is a system of analysis that generates slightly different theologies when applied in different contexts. Different varieties emphasize the oppression of the poor, blacks, women and gay and lesbians.

The Catholic Church at first accommodated and incorporated some of the teachings of this theory (ex. Catholic liberation theology for the poor) but stuck in the Cold War it has mistakenly attacked its larger threat as being Marxist. Especially since Pope John Paul II, the Catholic Church has moved to the political right, transferring, firing and silencing liberation theologians. It is here that Liberation Theology finds its bias. One of Liberation Theology's primary tenets is that unjust institutions are responsible for sin. Why do we live in a time of untold wealth, resource exploitation and production — and yet also in one in which there are so many people who are poor and oppressed? Liberation Theology uses a semi-Marxist analysis to find the answer — namely that institutional forces (military, political, economic, and social) such as the state, armed forces (death squads, army and police), capitalism, patriarchy, racism, sexism and heterosexism are responsible for the sin in the world. For instance if someone steals to feed themselves, they are not sinning, it is the system that made that poor that sin.

Another idea is that of collective salvation. While conservative Christians tell people to stop individually sinning to save their own soul. Liberation Theology recognizes the necessity of social change to end the root institutional causes of sin.

Liberation Theology calls for grassroots democracy. Adherents form Christian base communities, to do theology for themselves. Their life experience is critical for the development of religion. Liberation Theology is spread by priests, monks and nuns — and suppressed by the Church hierarchy. Members of these base communities use Praxis (a combination of practice and theory — action and reflection). They both study the Bible (developing theory) and work on practical issues to improve their lives (e.g. end poverty). It is practical. While conservatives use promises of heaven to keep exploited people inactive and apolitical, liberation theology requires that people work to uplift sinful systems of domination — trying to, at least partially, recreate heaven on earth.
VENPOINT

Monday, November 13, 2000

GUEST COLUMN

Interpreting the voice of the people

NEW YORK, N.Y.

The presidential election of 2000 will perhaps go down as the closest in United States history. A few hundred votes in one state will ultimately decide who will govern the country for the next four years. With such a huge burden on these votes and the state overall, it would behoove the election committees in Florida to get the story straight and actually interpret the voice of the people. After all, elections are nothing more than the people electing their leader. However, in Florida, this does not seem to be the case. The now-notorious case of Palm Beach County is a perfect example.

The ballot utilized in this high-stakes election was complicated by many being misleading. Why should we mislead the people while voting? Some argue that it doesn’t matter if people were confused; the fact is they still voted. I simply ask these people, is that really so? Does it matter whether or not every single vote was counted? Does it matter if people voted for the wrong candidate by accident?

To the question to such simple questions — of course it matters. The truth is that voices of the people in Palm Beach county, whether accidentally or fraudulently, were not heard. For starters, 19,200 votes in this county alone were not counted because the voter had punched in two or more boxes for one position. In the state as a whole, 29,000 ballots were not counted for the same reason. Thus, 66 percent of the state’s total uncounted ballots due to this one problem came from one county. If this one county had 66 percent of the state population, this would make perfect sense. The truth, however, is that Palm Beach county has a fraction of that population, only 10 percent. It is clear that the Palm Beach voters were confused.

Regarding, many will argue that there is no legal reasoning for a re-vote. Rather than consider the legal matters of a dispute, I will instead focus on the moral grounds for a re-vote. Our great country grants everyone the right to vote for the candidate of his or her choice. When 19,200 people in one county alone are denied this right, or rather their votes are nullified, this right is thrown into question. Surely one can argue that they had the right to vote; instead they just threw away their voting twice due to one ballot.

However, the founding fathers surely implied that along with the right to vote comes the right for that voter to do what is right. This means to be a celibate, as well as to be single, as well as to be a committed man and woman (husband and wife), as well as a committed man and woman. This is what the Church is: committed people, one to another. Sex, however, is how we get to know one another — as well as how some make babies! We need to keep these things straight (or rather, clear).

The ballot utilized in this highly controversial case of Palm Beach is not the only one to be confused. Many individuals donated much more than the $5 we requested and participated spread beyond the staff. Students emptied their pockets of spare change and faculty and staff who normally do not wear pink ribbons were seen sporting their denim and wearing those pink ribbons!

Thanks to your efforts, we raised $1,229 to support Breast Cancer programs in St. Joseph county. It was heartwarming to see the College of Arts and Letters come together for this very special event. It is a pleasure to work with all of you.

Mary Ellen Keeple
Director of Finance and Operations
November 7, 2000

Supporting awareness with pink ribbons and jeans

I would like to publicly thank the faculty, staff and students of the College of Arts and Letters for their support of Breast Cancer Awareness month. We organized a fund-raiser within the College to support the efforts of the St. Joseph county Cancer Society and to raise awareness of this cancer which affects so many women.

As an effective way of donating money, we designated Wednesday, Oct. 11 as a day in which staff could wear jeans to work in exchange for a $5 donation.

Much to our surprise, the support of this "Jean day" was incredible. Many individuals donated much more than the $5 we requested and participated.

William Dell
CNS of '99
November 10, 2000

Reflecting on ‘Courage’

Church must redefine chastity

In response to Nathan Hannan’s letter regarding “Courage” in The Observer on Friday, Nov. 10 I was one of the people who took down your Courage poster — however there was no malicious or evil intent. Extremely enough, noticed the poster, was without pen and wanted to share the lecture time with others — seeing many other informational posters at the time, I simply took one. Sorry if this aroused your conspiratorial suspicions.

However, Nathan, I must say that after listening to Harvey, this guy is full of baloney! His logic is flawed, his theology selective, his perspective narrow and, frankly, retarded in the 9th Century. Scholarship, as well as revelation, must be ongoing. Jesus was not stuck in the Old Testament — he provided something new.

Likewise, we are not stuck in the first or ninth or even 19th Century — we must provide something new. Further, it must be clear that the call to chastity cannot mean a call to rectitude when married people are called to chastity as well — obviously the call to chastity means something quite different: a call to commitment, to truthfulness, to a pure heart. This is what it means to be a celibate, as well as to be single, as well as to be a committed man and woman (husband and wife), as well as a committed man and woman.

This is what the Church is: committed people, one to another. Sex, however, is how we get to know one another — as well as how some make babies! We need to keep these things straight (or rather, clear).

I hope that you are as eager to explore alternatives to these two destinies as you wish others to be in exploring yours.

Lucas Bejar
Columbia Daily Spectator

Society, not church, breeds hostility

I would like to suggest that your letter on Friday, Nov. 10, represents a misunderstanding of Father Harvey’s comments during his presentation about the support group Courage. I was at the presentation and when Father Harvey said, “I don’t want to talk about the hostile environment” or words to that effect, he was talking about the hostile environment he encounters as a pro-chastity leader who supports Catholic teaching concerning homosexuality.

This hostility was evidenced by the fact that 20 or so of the posters for his talk were torn down within hours of being placed, by the occasional sourers from the audience during his talk and by the behavior of some “questioners” during the concluding question and answer period.

The hostility that gays may feel on this campus does not come from people meditating on the call of the Gospel or church teaching: “Kill all the fags” scrawled on a bathroom stall was not written by a seminarian after carefully considering the teaching of the Catechism. Hostility toward gays is coming from a different element of society than that represented by Father Harvey and Courage and these latter are the wrong targets for the hostility they receive.

And if this letter gets printed and I get any phone harassment again, I would like whoever it is to have the courage to identify themselves this time.

John Bergma
Graduate Student
November 11, 2000
Campus Love

Nothing is quite as enjoyable and quite as horrible as falling in love during these four years of undergrad. Why any of us go through it all and how we ever have any fun is beyond me. On our campus logic, because we use logic, there is no good reason to go through with any of it. Lions and Tigers and Girls, oh my. (This is written in order to be positive, but I assure you that there are no enjoyable parts for girls either.)

The Search:

At the time, this doesn’t seem like a bad idea. You’re a special person with many special gifts to offer. Maybe there is some very special person out there for you to share life with and spend some special time together. Anyway, you should not have a use a boost and you’re willing to do anything to get that thing under a blanket with the penny you think you can’t go out dating or shaving your head or taking

Your grip on the bat, shave the tops of their heads or take

The Break-up:

So now you’ve got a few prospects under your belt and it’s time to make sure you don’t seem too easy, but you don’t want to make it look like you aren’t going to make any time for them at all. You don’t want to seem like you don’t care — too, but you also don’t want to seem like a jerk. You’ve still got to make time for your friends and let this girl know that you’ve got plenty of them. You are also all willing to meet all your friends, be housed to her likes and dislikes and, oh, my gosh, you want to be sure the last time in the time to keep. If you are one of the few skier punks left on campus, it’s time to get that new piercing or tattoo. All this makes you look like a great person. People will start wanting to share anything, right? Just before you are about to give up.

The Courtship:

So you picked your favorite one now it is time to get on, with the opening of the treasure chest of fun. The dating is

with the lights off. That includes brushing, with your new love. The audience there was not one character that stood out to any extreme.

The Maintenance:

You know you’ve wanted this thing to happen, but now that it has, you can’t help believe that it broke you up. You can’t believe how good you had it for awhile. You spend a lot of time thinking about it. You have a few roads to take after this happens. You can either pledge to yourself to do everything you can within your powers to reinforce that the same ones. Now is the time to reinforce that

playing anywhere between one to six roles. It was difficult to establish the relationships between characters through voices, however, played by Bes, Elizabeth Ann Colombo, Megan Garcia, and Katie McGillis, successfully introduced the new atmosphere before the new characters would emerge. This helped clue the audience in to the change of scene and aided in identifying who each character was.

The difficulty in finding the relationships early in the show made it hard to determine the plot or the main source of conflict between the characters. Most simulation took place around 69 characters and how they would act during a typical day in their hometown. With the exception of Voice One, there was not one character that stood out to any extreme. This made it hard to determine which characters were involved in any conflict out of the norm. There was obvious struggle seen between Mr. and Mrs. Pugh, played by Anne Lutholz and Katie McGillis respectively, in regards to their characters.

Notable internal struggle also existed in Polly, played by Anne Lutholz, and within Capt. Cat, played by Melissa Cecilia. Though the struggles were recognizable, the climax of events and emotion within the plot was still difficult to determine.

However, the portrayal of these characters as real people was done beautifully. One scene

between Lily (Megan Gamble) and Lily’s mirror image (Bethany Tovey) stood out among the others. The use of pantomime, touch, space and similar roles was well, it was as though the actors were essentially vanishing themselves in one another, never breaking character. Katie Sullivan designed the costume displayed in “Under Milk Wood.” Characters were very simple costumes comprised of simple pants or skirts, birthdays and accessories such as aprons or vests. The wardrobes effectively established the identity of the characters at any given moment. The coloring of the costumes was vivid, in drastic contrast to the dreary background used to create the fishing village. Simple costumes facilitated the quick changes that most actors were managing to perform due to their multiple roles.

The use of color contrasts was also enhanced by the Lighting Designer/Technical Director Thomas Buellman. The lighting helped to direct the audience’s attention toward a specific character. At times, the audience would be lit, making the audience feel even more included in the lives of the characters. Audience members may have left the theater with a bit of confusion simply because they didn’t sufficiently establish some relationships and conflicts. Aside from this, the characters seemed real and the use of set, lighting, movement, vocal and facial expressions drew the audience into their lives.

The students of Saint Mary’s have acted extremely well. They have performed a unique melodrama, breathing life into roles that served to showcase their true talent.
Irish rush past young Eagles’ defense

Notre Dame runs for 380 yards in 28-16 victory

By TIM CASEY
Assistant Sports Editor

Irish quarterback Matt Lovecchio hands off to running back Tony Fisher during Saturday’s victory over Boston College. Notre Dame’s record stands at 7-2 heading into next Saturday’s game against Rutgers.

“Thats how we played out there man,” cornerback Brock Williams said. “With emotion.”

Credit the special teams as well for leading the Irish to their fifth straight victory since Matt LaVevchio who threw for 86 yards and ran for 80 more on Saturday took over. Chris Yura gained four yards (after a fake punt) for a first down in the first quarter and a kickoff return unit ranked first in the country averaged nearly 25 yards on four runs. But it was the field goal kicker (Nick Setta) and holder (Adam Tibbie) who gave the Irish a comfortable 28-10 lead. Setta lined up for a 22-yard attempt late in the third quarter. Tibbie received the snap from John Growther and instead of placing the ball on the grass, ran to his left and pitched to Setta for the touchdown.

“Adam saw they thought we were going to kick it so he called it,” Setta said. “I had the easiest job.”

The 12th meeting between the schools had less suspense than David Gordon, Deke Cooper and the squirrel provided in the past eight years. But regardless, the Irish are two wins away from a probable Bowl Championship Series berth.

“A lot of people were doomsday predictors for this team early in the season,” Davie said. “But I think everyone felt internally that we had an opportunity to be pretty good.”
**report card**

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**quarterbacks**
LoVecchio completed 75 percent of his passes, ran for 50 yards and improved to 5-0 as a starter. What more can you ask?

**running backs**
Fisher brought back memories of his play in 1999 and Howard played well. Even without Jones, the running attack turned in its best performance of the year.

**receivers**
Caught only five passes on the afternoon but were solid. Finally Holloway made a catch.

**offensive line**
Dominated the young Boston College defensive front. Cleared the way for 380 yards and allowed no sacks.

**defensive line**
Weaver's first-quarter interception started another fine performance by the front. Legree had two tackles for losses against a talented line.

**linebackers**
Denman led the team in tackles again with nine, including four unassisted tackles. Boiman had Sapp, Israel and Driver ranked second, third and fourth in tackles. Beckstrom played well in an expanded role.

**special teams**
Setta's touchdown sealed the victory. The fake punt in the third quarter and kick returns added to an improved unit.

**coaching**
A year ago, Dazio provided excuses for everything. This year, he doesn't need to. The fake punt and field goal showed some guts.

**overall**
The improbable run continues. Two more wins and the Irish will be in a bowl, one year after worrying about the major NCAA violation.

**adding up the numbers**

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**IRISH INSIGHT**

While I was attending my last Notre Dame-Stadium as a student on Saturday, I heard something that infuriated me.

The guys sitting behind me were casting insults at the players after every beleagued play. I fully understand being disappointed in bad plays, but the guys on the team deserve better than to be belittled by them, especially in the last home game of their careers.

Varsity athletes at Notre Dame warrant more credit than they receive. You can get a free education, but they also give a lot to the University in return.

In exchange for their athletic scholarship, they sacrifice the possibility of ever being a regular student.

Athletes spend long hours in practice every day striving to improve. Their heavily booked schedule leaves them with little time to spend on studies or a social life.

Most people don't realize the amount of hard work that goes into playing for a varsity team at an athletics-crazy school like Notre Dame. They are thankful for their efforts by Notre Dame "fans" that rip on them for turning in anything less than an undefeated season that ends with a National Championship.

Nobody's perfect. Guys are going to drop passes no matter how great of receivers they are, they're going to miss blocks no matter how many times they practice the move. But it's not because of a lack of effort or time put in, definitely not with this year's bunch.

The most-recognized players of Notre Dame's most popular sports — football, men's basketball and women's basketball — can't go anywhere without being hounded for autographs and photo shoots. Most pathetically, but the constant attention can get old.

Irish stars also have their every move analyzed by other students, becoming the topic of dining hall gossip — "Does so-and-so have a girlfriend/boyfriend?" "Guess who I saw at Fintinnig's." "What's so-and-so like?"

I know. People ask me these questions all the time, assuming that as a sportswriter, I must have some kind of insight into the lives of every athlete in the sports I write about. Even if I did, which I don't, I have no desire to contribute to the sea of rumors surrounding Notre Dame athletes.

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The students behind me at Notre Dame's win over Boston College obviously have a few credits left to go in the class department before graduation. Maybe they should have attended Friday night's pep rally — they could have learned something from Joey Gethell's speech.

The senior wide receiver thanked God, his parents, his coaches, his teammates (who be considered brothers), the seniors and all the Notre Dame fans for their support and for allowing him to play for Notre Dame. He talked about the dream come true of playing for Notre Dame and how sad he would be to finish his career here, so sad that he had to pause as he fought off tears.

Gethell also mentioned a teenager named Scott Delgadillo, and the inspiration to fight through pain and fatigue that he and the team take from Delgadillo.

Delgadillo, a huge Notre Dame fan, is battling leukemia. What Gethell didn't say was how kind the Irish players and coaching staff have been to the boy, sending him get-well cards, allowing him access to the locker room and inviting him to a game.

That's been the norm for Gethell and Co., who represent Notre Dame as well as any member of the Board of Trustees. At the end of practice and following home football games, the Irish postpone dinner or visits with family members to toss a football back and forth with well-wishing kids, sign autographs and get their pictures taken.

Not just football players, but almost all Notre Dame athletes. Do the students behind me at Notre Dame really think they are special?

My younger brothers, who are 7, 10 and 12 years old, are Notre Dame fanatics. When they came to campus the weekend of the Notre Dame-Air Force football game, members of the men's basketball team posed for photos with my brothers. David Graves even played one-on-one with my brother Brendan, who still thinks he won the game.

When this year's football seniors hoisted their gold helmets for the final time to the student section, they deserved every bit of cheering they got. What they haven't earned is the negative comments and occasional phone calls or emails they get after a loss.

I hope we win the next two games, go to a BCS game and come away victorious. However, if that doesn't happen, try, if you can, to be as classy as the guys on the team are and show them your support.

So the next time you get an urge to shout out an offensive comment to a Notre Dame athlete, think twice. They've devoted four years of their lives to making Irish eyes smile. Why don't you return the favor?

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Junior tailback Tony Fisher ran all over Boston College, turning in the 11th best rushing performance in Notre Dame history with a 196-yard outing.

**UNLIKELY HEROES**

Notre Dame got its best performances from players in reserve roles Saturday. Tony Fisher, stuck all season in a reserve role behind tailback Julius Jones, ran for the fourth-best rushing performance ever by an Irish player in Notre Dame Stadium. Ron Israel, backing up Gerome Sapp at strong safety for the day, intercepted a pass. Nick Setta's biggest contribution was not his kicking game, but a 5-yard rushing touchdown.

Quarterback Matt LoVecchio did more running than he did passing.

Freshman quarterback Matt LoVecchio (10) keeps control of the ball despite being tripped up by a Boston College defender.

Senior strong safety Ron Israel (5) returns a late-game interception of Boston College quarterback Brian St. Pierre.

Kicker Nick Setta (13) follows through on an extra point attempt. Setta also ran for a 5-yard touchdown on a fake field goal attempt.
"Bitter Saucé," is written by Eric Bogosian and inspired by Sonnet 118. The plot centers on a couple and their impending marriage slated for the next day. The woman, Regin, tearfully confesses to the man. Herman, that she has been having an affair. The rather straightforward spouse-to-be, played by freshman Thomas Conner, must come to grips with his love's infidelities, as well as their differing perceptions of love. The conservative Herman serves as the perfect foil for the obstinate drunkeness and bi-polar mood swings of Regin, portrayed by the remarkably talented Kathryn Weil, a junior. The second show in the series, "Hydraulics That Like Mean," written by Nizake Shange, is a poetic piece examining desire and wanting in love. Played between two nameless characters, portrayed by junior Rachel L. Jones and senior Lisa Fabrega, the show is a struggle between two would-be lovers trying to control each other's desire and evoke passion.

The third, "140," inspired by sonnet 140 (but you didn't see that coming), confronts infidelity and the nature of modern relationships. The show itself is broken into separate scenes between a web of lovers, each betraying and feeling betrayed by one another. Written by Marsha Norman, "140" takes a hard look at the structure of relationships and the nature of deception.

One of the highlights of the entire performance is "Terminating." Based on sonnet 75, the show is split between the real conversation of a psychiatrist and her ex-patient and each character's imagined conversations with their respective lovers. Brendan P. Geary, a junior, plays the wonderfully disjointed and emotional Hendryk. Hendryk. Hendryk seeks help from his former psychiatrist, Esther, about whom he has sexual fantasies. Esther, played by Kelly Hart, psychologizes the stream of consciousness pouring forth from Hendryk, and he in turn forces her to confront her own problems. This piece, written by Tony Kushner, is a poignant piece about the frustrations of love. Moreover, the piece reveals the difference in perceptions of love and what love actually becomes. "Painting You" treats the audience to the single musical performance of the evening. The show follows a painter trying to portray his lover with the same passion he felt at the beginning of their relationship. The beautiful voices of Lisa Marie Fabrega and senior Jeni Rinner lead the way for this piece as it examines how love grows and changes. Inspired by sonnet 102, William Fin wrote the music to "Painting You." Another standout of the production is "Waiting for Philip Glass," the story of an upscale New York party. The party's hostess, Holden, played by junior Beth Hoffmann, runs into her ex-flame, Gerry, who wants to rekindle their former relationship. Holden, however, is much more concerned with her party and the advice of her obnoxious socialite companion Spencer, portrayed by the capable Jeni Rinner, than finding love. Wendy Wasserstein's interpretation of sonnet 94 searches for the true nature of love and what happens to lovers once they are parted. The final piece is John Guare's interpretation of sonnets 153 and 154, "The General of Hot Desire." This piece serves as the capstone of the show and interestingly ties all the pieces of the show together. It is the story of students trying to make a play out of the sonnets. Eventually, they become the role of the characters and act out the play which is a comprehensive description of love.

Love's Fire is directed by FTT Artist in Residence Sirli Scott. It will be showing Wednesday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. There will also be a matinee showing Sunday at 2:30 p.m. This play contains strong language and content, which some viewers may find offensive.
An Irish player bumps the ball in a match earlier this season.

**Volleyball**

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN
Sports Writer

For the fifth time in the past six years, Notre Dame defeated Syracuse, with the Orangewomen having just one past win in 1981.

Gorton led the team's regular season play with 370 kills while juniors Marci Bombock and Malinda Goralski added to the Irish offensive performance with 14 kills each. Senior co-captain Denise Boylan racked up 67 assists, 10 digs and six kills.

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**FOR SALE**

NFL Colts knock off Jets, 23-15

Associated Press

**INDIANAPOLIS**

Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts made all the plays they wanted and turned out to be enough to withstand the New York Jets' customary comeback efforts.

The Jets, who had rallied four times in the final four minutes, this season, failed to complete another remarkable final-minute flourish. Sunil Gulati, the Jets' halfback, fought hard, but the Jets hung on for a 23-15 victory.

"We knew it would be a tough game, a close game, a hard fought game," Gorton said. "We just simply dug ourselves too big a hole — for the third week in a row."

"We keeping saying you can't let it slip away, you can't let it slip away. Then before you know it, it has slipped away," said running back Curtis Martin, who carried 21 times for 93 yards.

The Jets let this one slide during the first three quarters.

"They early in the playbook, opened the game with a flee-flicker, succeeding on a fake field goal in the sec ond quarter and employing an end around in the third quarter."

"It was very important to try and get points on the early in because we knew the Jets were a good second-half team," Manning said. "We wanted to jump on them early."

The Colts did exactly that.

They surprised together their most time-consuming touch down drive of the season, 6:35, and took a 7-0 lead when Manning hooked up with Marvin Harrison on a 6-yard scoring strike.

Then Jeff Burris picked off a pass by Vinny Testaverde at the Colts' 49. The Jets followed up early in 92 yards, capped by Edgerrin James' 2-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter.

Jets quarterback Jeff Garcia totaled 131 yards on 33 carries and became the fastest Colts player to reach 1,000 yards in a 7-25 Colts victory.

"It was a steep fight out there," Mora said. "These were two good football teams going back and forth. It's tough what we do and you punished us and we punished them and you just hope you get the final pick and [win]."

After putting on the Jets with the Colts 28-7, then Jets missed on four straight passes — and left with a third straight loss.

**Rams, Giants 24**


Trent Green threw touch down passes to four receivers and scrambled for another, and the Rams used three turnovers and a couple of big plays on special teams to beat the Giants 24-3.

"This just goes to show this is a complete team," said Warner, last season's regular season and Super Bowl MVP who has been sidelined with a broken finger since Oct 22 with a broken finger. "This isn't about one or two guys," Warner added. "This is about a complete team, what we have from top to bottom. Our defense played great. Our offense played great. This is more the team we saw last year. This shows we're a great football team."

The loss ended a four-game winning streak for the error prone Giants, who again showed they are not in the same class with the NFL's elite teams.

**New York, also, was out classed by the Indianapolis Colts and Tennessee, is a half-game ahead of the Philadelphia in the NFC East.**

"We heard all the nay-sayers from the start. Everybody said we don't have enough, and this is our team — and this is the team. Fans like that they want to see answers and see. We didn't."

Green's touchdown passes covered 1 yard to Roland Williams Jr. for 3, 11 yards to Riki Holl, 8 yards to Ricky Rice and 34 yards to Isaac Bruce. Warner 5 backup also scrambled 18 yards for a touchdown, a run that gave St. Louis a 27- 7 halftime lead.

The four touchdowns passed used Green's single-game best set while playing for Washington State in 1998. He finished 27-of-45 for 272 yards, and he also rushed for 54 yards. That same day the Rams rushed for 141 yards against the Giants, the NFL's second-best rushing defense. They are ranked sev enth in rushing.

"Any time we're able to put that many points on the board," said Green, who has started the last three games.

Faulk, who led the NFL in combined rushing-receiving yards in 2000, later said "We put two games with a knee injury.

Kerry Collins threw touchdown passes of 13 yards to Tiki Barber and 44 yards to Johnnie Morton. The longer one started a 10-point run by the Giants at the start of the fourth quarter that closed New York 28-17. After Hilliard's long touchdown run it was 28-17, the Giants added 3 points on a field goal by John Hall and the touch down pass of 2 yards by London Fletcher, giving the Giants possession on the St. Louis 11. A run by the two teams? "No challenge, not until the 1, but Ronayne was down to play on play, and New York settled for a field goal.

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Senior forward Anne Makinen dribbles the ball away from a Michigan player in Sunday's 3-1 victory over the Wolverines.

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A Keenan player rushes to the outside in the Knights' 15-0 shutout of the Juggs. Keenan claimed its third title in four years.

Keenan

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field and almost scored, and I think that gave them some confidence.

Early in the game, it appeared as if Knott's defense would once again be able to control the game. It sacked quarterback Billy Ellsworth three times and managed to hold the Knights to only one first down. But after halftime, Keenan changed its offensive plan dramatically. The Knights moved away from the passing game and relied on Kunitzer's legs. Kunitzer, who had 15 carries, was able to take advantage of misdirection running plays.

Keenan often sent wide receiver Tom Corr in motion behind Kunitzer, and Ellsworth would either hand off to Kunitzer, who charged up the middle, or Corr, who flew around the end. A few times, Keenan even tried a double reverse to keep the Knott defense off balance. It worked.

Twice, Ellsworth, who finished 3-for-9 passing, hooked up with his wide receivers for huge passes against a defense that was trying desperately to contain the run. He found Steve Byrnes early in the second half for a 40-yard completion.

Late in the fourth quarter, Ellsworth connected with tight end J.J. Frigge on a 33-yard completion that set up running back Brian Kunitzer's six-yard touchdown run with 2:30 left in the game. "We wanted to make a point of scoring on their defense," Cantos said. "We established the run, mixed in a few passes, and got into a rhythm. But it couldn't have happened without our offensive line. They often don't get any recognition, but they were one of the main reasons we won. They played a great game."

Ironically, the Knight's defense, not the Juggs, was the deciding factor in the game.

Keenan sacked Knott quarterback Mario Suarez twice and intercepted the ball four times, including a touchdown interception with 1:46 left in the game that put the Knights out of reach. Knott wasn't able to muster a sustained offensive drive. It relied heavily on the arm of quarterback Mario Suarez, who was 5-for-17 passing. His longest completion of the day was a 26-yard pass to Pawloski.

But the Juggs never managed to get inside the Knight's 30-yard line.

"We wanted to go out there and show that we could get the job done offensively," Pawloski said. "We can't expect our defense to go out there every game and not only stop the other team from scoring, but get an interception or a fumble to set up the offense."

"We were trying some new things, and we couldn't get anything going," he said. "It was frustrating."

"We knew they were going to pass on us a lot, and we were ready for that," Cantos said. "A lot of times, they broke the huddle and we knew what play it was because of their formation."

Knott's vaunted defense, which until Sunday hadn't been scored on all season, couldn't make up for the lack of offensive execution. The Juggs' defense held the Knights' offense scoreless throughout the game. Kunitzer scored at the end of the fourth quarter.

After Kunitzer's score, kick- er Andy Groebner missed the extra point, leaving Keenan up 8-0 and giving Knott had one final chance to tie the game.

But an second down, Suarez was intercepted by Cantos, who had two interceptions in the game. Cantos ran the ball back 42 yards for a touchdown, sealing the victory for the Knights.

"If you're going to lose, you might as well lose there," Pawloski said. "But I hate losing, and if I know a lot of other guys do too. This was really hard for us."

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for good with a touchdown off a Rak pass. Rak converted with Jen Grubb for two points to set the score at 14-6 at the end of the first half.

At halftime, Welsh and Howard looked evenly matched.

With both offenses centered around the passing abilities of their respective quarterbacks, the second half looked to be a continuation of the quarterback duel. Ready to win the score, Veselik and the Duck offense were focused on a touchdown at the start of the second half.

"She has so much dedication and drive," Howard head coach Brad Untiedt said. "I'm lucky to be on the same sideline as she is."

On the first play of the drive, Veselik was sacked by Karli Pederson, injuring herself on the play.

Unfortunately for the Ducks, this setback was a big turning point in the game. Playing with a sprained ankle, Veselik threw an interception to Vanessa Lichon on the next play.

Lichon ran the ball back for the Whirlwind touchdown. The injury coupled with the interception shifted the momentum to Welsh for the rest of the game.

After Howard was forced to punt, Welsh only needed four plays to score the final touchdown of the game. Rak completed a pass to Grubb for her third touchdown pass of the game and a 26-6 lead.

(Rak's) arguably the best quarterback in the league," Parossa said. "She played like the champion that she is."

Veselik tried to mount an attack to get the Ducks back in the game, but Welsh defense proved too much for Howard. Veselik was forced to scramble out of the pocket on more than one occasion and suffered a loss in yardage from a sack by Collen O'Connor.

On fourth down goal from the two, Howard had one last opportunity to stay in the game and maybe shift the momentum back to its side. Again, Welsh's defense held and the Whirlwinds took over on downs.

The game ended by the mercy rule, making it the Welsh's sixth game of its undefeated season to end in such a manner.

After a slow start in the first half, Welsh coach Casey Bouton said, "It was nice to see our offense click and nice to see defense bounce back. (The championship) was a great way to end the season."

Howard coach, Paul Guzzetta, gave credit to Welsh for its win.

"When you play a team with no many offensive weapons, it's hard to defend," he said. "They played their best and that's all we could ask for."

Howard coach Untiedt was also pleased with his team's performance, happy to have made it to the Finals.

"This team has been an amazing team to work with," he said. "They have played great throughout the season."

Welsh players stormd the field after Sunday's 26-6 victory over Howard in the women's interhall football championship game.
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Katie Koestner is a date-rape survivor and sexual assault prevention advocate. Koestner’s work on behalf of date-rape survivors led to the passage of the Campus Sexual Assault Victim’s Bill of Rights in 1992. She was written several books and made countless campus and television appearances. Koestner will be speaking about her experience with date-rape, her refusal to remain quiet, and her subsequent experiences as an advocate of victim’s rights.

This Lecture Should Not Be Missed By Anyone!
Saint Mary’s Ramsey sets record in 100-yard butterfly

By JANEIL MILLER
Sports Writer

The newest member of the Saint Mary’s swimming and diving record book doesn’t keep the word satisfaction in her vocabulary.

With only four collegiate meets under her belt, freshman Megan Ramsey has proven she’s ready for the challenges of being a college athlete. But she’s not taking these challenges lightly.

Finally, after unofficially breaking three individual school records and one relay record earlier this season, Ramsey set an official school record this weekend.

Ramsey scored both the record and the first place at Wabash College Saturday in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of one minute, 21.3 seconds.

But Ramsey can’t say she’s that happy with her performance, even though she set the record, the time wasn’t a season best.

“It feels great. I was just frustrated because in high school swimmers are used to getting rest between meets, but in college you swim tired through the season and rest for championships,” Ramsey said.

In the 200-yard butterfly, Ramsey set a record with a time of two minutes, 0.66 seconds.

“I had my best year of swimming when I was there,” said Ramsey.

According to Hildebrandt, Ramsey is not all individual — she’s also a team player.

“She is very supportive of the whole team and works hard to be the best she can be for that team,” Hildebrandt said.

Ramsey may have dominated Saturday’s dual against Transylvania, but the rest of the Belles squad also posted solid performances.

Including Ramsey, the Belles had 13 season best times and came within nine points of a win over the women of Division II Transylvania University.

Senior co-captain Colleen Sullivan attributed the success to the attitudes that day.

“I think it helped that we were having fun at the meet. We were all in great spirits and it showed in our swims,” said Sullivan.

Senior co-captain Olivia Smith contributed to the Belles with a second place in the 500- and 1000-yard freestyle events.

Smith dropped tremendous time in the 500 according to Hildebrandt.

Smith teamed up with Ramsey to clinch a one-two finish in the 500 yard freestyle.

Sophomore Lane Herrington and freshman Elizabeth Dero also came out with a one-two finish in the 50 yard freestyle.

A pair of second and third combos by Sullivan and freshman Maureen Palchak in the 200 yard freestyle and sophomore Lauren Smith and freshman Katy Lebirdz in the 100 yard breaststroke wrapped up the meet along with a strong performance on both the one- and three-meter boards for diver Ryan Cox.

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A Saint Mary’s swimmer races through the water in a backstroke event at the Notre Dame relays earlier this season. The Belles finished nine points behind Transylvania University this weekend.
Top-ranked Eagles skate to 5-3 victory over Irish

By MATT ORENCHUK
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team played well against Boston College on Friday night. But playing well wasn’t good enough against the No. 1 team in the country. The Fighting Irish played a spirited hockey game, almost coming back from a 4-1 deficit before finally succumbing to the Eagles 5-3.

A Boston College penalty was called towards Notre Dame. Boston College senior Brian Gionta was called for tripping Dan Carlson. The Irish held Boston College to 0-1-1 in the second period. Irish coach Poulin called a timeout to get rest his troops for the power play.

The second period began with a couple of Notre Dame penalties. Jay Kopischke was called for elbowing 22 seconds into the period, and 2:12 minutes later Chad Chipchase took a penalty for holding the stick. The Irish penalty killers held Boston College in check for both penalties.

With 12:22 left in the second, freshman Tony Voce slapped a rebound past Irish goalie Tony Zasowski. Exactly 1:53 later, Voce put away another rebound past Irish goalie Tony Zasowski. Exactly 1:53 later, Voce put away another rebound that just eluded the outstretched glove of Zasowski. Voce is a small player, and that worked to his advantage against Notre Dame.

"We [Irish forwards] have a lot of speed and bigger players have to work harder to keep up," Voce said. "On the second goal I split the defensemen, and then made a nice move to beat (Notre Dame) goalie."

Boston College scored again with 7:12 left in the second to stretch their lead to 4-1 over the Irish. But momentum again swung towards Notre Dame. Boston College senior Brian Gionta was called for hooking with 6:37 left in the second period. Irish coach Poulin called a timeout to get rest his troops for the power play.

"Even though we were down 4-1, I liked where we were at for that point in the game," Poulin said of his Irish. "I told the guys that we were going to score on this power play, we were going to be down 4-2, and we would take it from there." Aaron Gill made sure Poulin’s words came true when he hammered home a rebound in front of the net 49 seconds into the Boston College penalty. This made the score 4-2 going into the second intermission.

The first 10 minutes of the third period saw both teams trade penalties. With 12:22 left in the period Boston College defensemen Bill Cass was called for tripping Dan Carlson. Notre Dame pushed hard on the ensuing power play, and their efforts were rewarded with a goal just one second after the power play expired.

Sophomore Jake Wingard was able to slam home the puck after some confusion in front of the net. This made the score 4-3 with 10 minutes to go, and the home crowd on its feet for the Irish.

A Boston College penalty was called on JD Forrest for hooking with 8:30 left in the game. On the ensuing powerplay, however, the puck bounced the wrong way, and Boston College found itself with a 2-on-1 breakaway with 18 seconds left on the penalty. Gionta put away the puck past Zasowski for the short-handed goal.

After the short-handed goal, Notre Dame wasn’t able to get anything going, and Boston College escaped with the win.

Although the Irish loss, the game showcased the improved Irish special teams. The power play produced two goals in the game, and the third Irish goal came just one second after the power play had ended. Even more impressive has been the Notre Dame penalty killing. The Irish held Boston College 0-7 on the power play. Notre Dame has now killed off the last 16 penalties in a row.

The Irish now have the next two weeks off before they host Northern Michigan on Thanksgiving weekend. Notre Dame has a lot of games coming up in the CCHA, and Poulin knows that can change the season.

"A lot of good things came out of this game [against Boston College]," Poulin said. "We have only played four CCHA games, so there is a lot of hockey left to be played. We just need to rest up and get ready for the next segment of games."
No. 15 Notre Dame closes out preseason 2-0 with 89-71 victory

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN

As the Irish basketball team prepared to welcome #15 Michigan to the Joyce Center for a mid-season test, they powered to an 89-71 win over the Irish on Wednesday night. The win was the team's second in as many outings, giving them a 2-0 record in the preseason.

The game was a showcase for Notre Dame's depth, as eight players scored in the second half. Murphy, Humphrey, and Carroll each had a strong performance, with Murphy leading the way with 23 points. Humphrey added 19, and Carroll contributed 17.

The Irish defense was also a key factor, holding the Michigan team to just 67 points. Murphy and Humphrey were particularly strong on the boards, grabbing 12 rebounds each.

Head coach Mike Brey said, "I'm excited about the way our team played tonight. We were able to get contributions from everyone on the floor, which is what we need to do in order to be successful.

The Irish vs. Michigan game was part of a four-game preseason schedule that also included contests against Valparaiso and Notre Dame's first foe, the All-Stars. The team won all four games, with a 14-point victory over the All-Stars.

Notes:

- Murphy had a career-high 23 points and 12 rebounds.
- Humphrey scored 19 points and 12 rebounds.
- Carroll added 17 points and 10 rebounds.

The Irish will now turn their attention to the regular season, which begins on November 15th against Michigan State. The team is currently ranked #15 in the preseason polls and is expected to be a strong contender for the conference title.

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Irish advance to Sweet 16 of College Cup

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

On a frigid Sunday at Alumni Field, the Michigan Wolverines nearly put top-seeded Notre Dame's season on ice in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

It took a return from an injury, an impassioned halftime speech, and all the Irish could muster to hold off a Wolverine team that nearly pulled an upset before Notre Dame could escape with a 3-1 triumph.

After a lackluster first half, which saw the Wolverines take control of the game, the heavily-favored Irish stood tall and won the final 6-0.

Sophomore Ashley Dryer listened intently to her coach's plea, and no doubt took them to heart as she shook off a first half leg injury to lead a second half charge.

With a little more than 20 minutes remaining in the game, it appeared as if Dryer's day was done as she lay near the midfield stripe writing in pain. But aрубled Dryer returned to seize the day.

"I told them if they wanted to throw away 21 games of hard work, then they should just go out and play like they did in the first half," Waldrum said. "It wasn't anything tactical we talked about. We just needed to refocus.""Keenan played a great game," said sophomore Dave Cantos. "A lot of the older guys have been around for the other championships, so it was nice for them to go out this way." Keenan did everything right Sunday afternoon. They moved the ball effectively against Knot's defense and completely shut down Knot's offense, leaving Knot frustrated and confused.

"Keenan played a great game," said Knot wide receiver Brian Pawloski, who had three receptions. "That's all there is to it." Keenan scored the first points of the game with 43 seconds remaining in the first half. Facing fourth-and-28 on its own 22, Knot lined up in punt formation. But the snap was too high for punter Kevin Heffernan to handle and the ball bounced into the end zone where Heffernan fell on top of the ball, giving Keenan a 2-0 lead.

"That safety was definitely in our minds the rest of the game," said Pawloski. "Keenan came down the line to step it up in the second half." Just nine minutes into the second half, it was Dryer who took it upon herself to make sure the Irish didn't have an upsetting afternoon. Taking a pass from classmate Aly Lovelace, Dryer sprinted up the right flank before threading a perfect pass to freshman Amanda Garritson who was just joining the play.

Guertin held the ball just long enough for the Wolverine keeper Carissa Stewart to commit, before sliding a shot into the far left corner.

"I knew we needed a freshman," Dryer said. "Their will shattered by the goal that broke the tie, the

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Sports Writer

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Knights claims third title in four years

The Welsh Whirlwinds celebrate Sunday's victory over Howard in the interhall championship game.

Irish victory

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Martin Ingelsby and the No. 15 men's basketball team rolled to an 89-71 win over the International All-Stars.

Women's Soccer

Irish advance to Sweet 16 of College Cup

By SUSIE CARRINGTON
Sports Writer

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The Ducks quickly answered on their next possession. Fighting back from a sack by Elizabeth Myers, Veselik found receiver Vanessa Nero in the end zone to tie the score at 6-6.

That touchdown was only the third allowed by Welsh's defense all season.

The Whirlwinds' offense retook the field ready to avenge this attack. Amidst the pressure of several Ducks linemen, Rak remained poised in the pocket thanks to great pass protection from her offensive line.

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Wolves cruise

past Ducks 26-6

By SUSIE CARRINGTON
Sports Writer

Freshman forward Amy Warner dribbles past a Michigan defender in Sunday's second round College Cup game.

INTERHALL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Keenan, Welsh Family take home interhall championships

By SUSIE CARRINGTON
Sports Writer

The Wolverines celebrate their victory in the Interhall championship game.

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